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## RHODODENDRON CADIS

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## RHODODENDRONS

**ADENOPODUM**—A very early flowering species with clear pink buds opening to a lighter shade that has little competition as the best species of its season in our clime. **Small plants \$3.00**

**ALBERT CLOSE**—Late flowering pink with red spotting. The trusses are near perfection for those who admire the formal shape. A Maximum hybrid. **8-12 in., \$2.00**

**ALBUM ELEGANS**—Of the old 'Ironclad' group. Tall growing with large trusses of pale mauve white, very attractive. **12-18 in., \$4.00**

**AMERICA**—Easily the most popular and widely planted red flowered rhododendron in the N.E. United States. Hardy and dependable. **10-12 in., \$4.50**

**BEAUFORT**—An early fragrant flowered hybrid of Boule de Neige. The flowers open with a tint of lavender but quickly fade white. Dark green leaves and excellent plant habit. **12-18 in., \$4.00**

**BLUE PETER**—About the only blue flowered rhododendron we can grow in our area and a good one. The plant is a vigorous grower of spreading habit and the blue flowers have a very dark center. **12-15 in., \$4.00**

**BLUE TIT**—A dwarf variety with small leaves and violet blue flowers. A northern exposure and superlative drainage will help in discouraging its tendency to flower in late autumn and lose these buds for the following spring season. **6 in., \$3.00**

**BRACHYCARPUM**—This hardy species from Japan is all too little known in the Eastern U.S., forming well shaped plants with beautiful dark green foliage and late creamy white flowers lightly striped with pink. **6-8 in., \$2.00**

**BOULE DE NEIGE**—Old hardy white of compact habit and still one of the best of its class—the so-called 'Ironclads.' **8-12 in., \$4.00**

**CADIS**—On the cover of our price lists for several seasons we have used a cut with the caption, "RHODODENDRON DISCOLOR HYBRID." Finally we can offer cutting grown plants. It is a strong growing, vigorous plant with pale pink flowers in large trusses. Single florets have measured over five inches across. An award variety. One plant to a customer. **8-10 in., \$8.00**

**CAROLINE**—Another hybrid which we are again offering this season. A superlative plant at all seasons and bearing abundant large pale orchid flowers that are quite fragrant. Early mid-season. It has yet to be injured here by winter cold. **12-15 in., \$5.00**

**CAMICH**—A low growing plant that bears purplish crimson flowers in great abundance while yet very small. **12-15 in., \$4.00**

**CAROLINIANUM**—A small leaved species from the Carolina mountains with abundant pink flowers borne early and freely on small plants. **12-18 in., \$3.00**



**CATAWBIENSE**—This species from the Allegheny mountain regions is perhaps the hardiest of the broadleaf rhododendrons, making a great show along the Skyline Drive with mountain tops covered with its flowers in June. Varies from light rose and lavender shades to a deep rose purple.

1½-2 ft., \$4.00

**CATAWBIENSE ALBUM** (Glass) — We are growing some seedlings from hand-pollinated whites which should come white. We cannot guarantee it but offer them.

10-12 in., \$2.00

**CATAWBIENSE ALBUM**—White flowered variety of great hardiness. Good habit and foliage.

12-15 in., \$4.00

**CHAPMANNI X MUCRONULATUM**—A first generation cross that is growing lustily. Early rose pink flowers.

2-3 ft., \$5.00

**CONEWAGO**—This hybrid of *R. carolinianum* and *R. mucronulatum* is an old one here but we have never been able to propagate it well. We can again offer a few. It has been reported hardy from several growers in very cold areas. Flowers early and abundantly in rose pink.

10-12 in., \$4.00

**COUNTY OF YORK**—Formerly listed as *Rhod. CATALODE*, this hybrid of *Catawbiense album*, *Hort.*, and *Loderi* has large leaves very deep green and lustrous, somewhat convex and flowers pale chartreuse in bud, opening to a rich creamy white. In optimum conditions it grows luxuriantly with a different quality that easily identifies it at any season.

10-12 in., \$5.00

**CUNNINGHAM'S WHITE**—An early flowering white of compact habit and excellent foliage.

10-12 in., \$4.00

**CYNTHIA**—Large flowered, deep crimson pink variety that is sometimes hurt by leafburning in our winters and should be planted protected from winter sunshine. Noted for the size and shape of its trusses.

10-12 in., \$4.00

**DISCOLOR**—This is one of the very finest exotic species that may be grown in our climate. It hails from West Central China and has been described as "E.H. (Chinese) Wilson's second best discovery." What interests us is that it is hardy in our part of the world in partially shaded woodland sites where it opens its great white or pale blush blossoms in late June. Described as growing into a tree twelve to fifteen feet high but more often seen as a large shrub.

10-12 in., \$2.50 & 12-18 in., \$3.50

**FORTUNEI**—Very large blush pink fragrant flowers and dependably hardy with us. Another so-called "tree" species that hardly reaches that stature in cultivation but is often tree-like in habit. The corolla is seven-lobed instead of the usual five. *Rhododendron Fortunei* is quite free from all insect damage—in fact almost immune and this also applies to its close relatives *R. discolor* and *R. decorum*. All hybrids of these species seem to

partake of these pest resistant characters to a great extent. I have yet to observe a single lace bug or white fly on them and leaf eating worms rarely touch them, Fortunei itself, perhaps never. Large sizes, 6-8 ft., on application. 10-12 in., \$2.50

**JEAN MARIE DE MONTAGU**—This variety is one of the best reds we can grow in our area where it has survived with negligent injury for a number of years so we are carrying it on our list for trial.  
6-8 in., \$3.50

**JOHN WALTER**—Crimson. 12-18 in., \$5.00

**KEISKEI**—A small growing yellow species flowering very early, often with *R. mucronulatum*.  
6-in., \$2.00

**MAKINOI**—A Japanese species, slow growing and of rather dwarf habit. The flowers are pale pink of fair size and the long, very narrow leaves, somewhat rolled up both summer and winter, are covered beneath with a white, woolly felt which turns a buff color and lasts for several years. It has been satisfactorily hardy here. 8-10 in., \$3.00

**MARS**—Deep true red. Seems quite hardy, but does not thrive in shallow soils as well as most rhododendron. In a bed of deep humus it will thrive and repay well for the extra care. 8-10 in., \$5.00

**MAXIMUM**—We have this native rhododendron in almost any size up to eight feet. Arrangements will have to be made to transport the larger plants.  
1-8 ft., \$1.00-\$15.00

**MICRANTHUM**—A species from North China and Mongolia recommended for its extreme hardiness. When covered with its tiny white flowers it has been likened to an evergreen spirea. Grown in a fair amount of sun it is a good looking plant.  
18-24 in., \$4.00

**MUCRAM**—Very much like Conewago described above. Holds more foliage in winter but possibly not quite so hardy as that variety. 2-ft., \$5.00

**MUCRONULATUM**—A very early deciduous species with rose purple flowers blooming with forsythia. Very hardy and does well in full sun.  
12-18 in., \$3.00

**NOVA ZEMBLA**—A variety that much resembles America, the flowers being practically identical. Like that variety it is one of the super iron clads in hardiness.  
8-12 in., \$5.00

**PIONEER**—An early evergreen mucronulatum hybrid, very free flowering. Flowers are clear pink in color. Offered for the first time in 1958.  
8-12 in., \$3.00; 12-15 in., \$5.00

**ROSEUM ELEGANS**—The old standby for foundation planting as it is dense growing and stands pruning well.  
18-24 in., \$4.00

**RACEMOSUM. 59717. ROCK NO.**—Dwarf type with charming rose pink flowers and flowering when only a few inches high.  
4 in. pots, \$2.50





## AZALEA SPECIES

**ARBORESCENS**—Late flowering native azalea with a heliotrope fragrance. Will grow into large specimens with age—ten to twelve feet high and wide. Very good on the bank of a stream or pond.

12-18 in., \$3.00

**KAEMPFERI**—This very hardy species, a native of Japan, is a fast grower and quite hardy. We know of no azalea that will give more color in the tall border and need less care. With us it naturalizes all over that section of the lawn north of a tall Norway spruce windbreak, creating an azalea thicket.

12-18 in., \$3.00

**POUKHANENSE**—A Korean species which grows quite twiggy and compact with flowers of rose and lilac shades. We consider it the hardiest species of the obtusum group.

12-15 in., \$2.00

**SCHLIPPENBACHII**—The "Royal" azalea. The large pink flowers, about the size of the flowering dogwood, are produced in early spring. Hardy anywhere but best in partly wooded situations where its blooms last longer in good condition. Sizes up to six feet.

8-10 in., \$2.00

## GABLE HYBRID AZALEAS

**CAROL (B8G)**—Abundant hose-in-hose flowers of most brilliant crimson pink on a spreading, rather dwarf plant.

10-12 in., \$3.00

**ELIZABETH GABLE**—Noteworthy for its ever-green character that makes it a pretty plant at all seasons. Its pale salmon tinted flowers last long in partial shade.

10-12 in., \$3.00

**GILLIN'S RED**—Hardy deep maroon red. From the late James Gillin of Ambler, Pa.

12-15 in., \$3.00

**JAMES GABLE**—A hose-in-hose cardinal red of compact habit. Hardy and free flowering.

10-12 in., \$3.00

**JESSIE COOVER—(C6G)**—A fully double flowered pink that blooms in late midseason and is quite hardy.

10-12 in., \$2.00; 12-18 in., \$3.00

**LOUISE GABLE**—Double salmon pink flowers of good size borne on a rather slow growing, dense twiggy plant.

12-18 in., \$3.50

**KATHLEEN**—An old hybrid of ours that we are growing again. One that will need to attain some size and age before it is fully appreciated. When in full flower here it is the show plant of the azaleas. Bright crimson pink, clear tone.

12-15 in., \$3.00

**LORNA**—Low growing double pink similar to Rosebud. Our old plant grows wider but no taller than that variety. Bears its small, very double flowers in abundance to cover the plant.

12-18 in., \$4.00

**MARGIE**—This variety is one of our newer hybrids. It is a hose-in-hose pink, grows vigorously but branches well. It seems to be very hardy—perhaps the hardiest of this type—and is quite floriferous and showy.

10-12 in., \$3.00

**MARYANN (38G)**—Medium late double flowered pink. Profuseness of bloom and good plant habit also commend it. Very hardy. 12-18 in., \$3.00

**PURPLE SPLENDOUR**—Dark reddish purple hose-in-hose flowers. Spreading habit. 12-18 in., \$3.00

**POLARIS** — White. Very floriferous. Rather slow growing and compact. Somewhat of the Kurume type and superior to Snow. 8-12 in., \$3.00

**SPRINGTIME**—An early flowering pure pink that grows rather tall and will need considerable room. One of the very hardiest azaleas. 12-18 in., \$3.00

**STEWARTSTONIAN**—Single clear red flowers and foliage turning red in winter that contrasts strikingly against the snow. Hardier and better in color than Hinodegiri and just as easy to grow. It also has better color than that variety when forced. 10-12 in., \$3.00

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We have hybrid seedlings left over from our breeding experiments that we sell priced as to size and quality. They are in various colors and selection is only possible by customers who select them in flower. Prices start at \$3.00 each.

We wish to emphasize the importance of removing the faded flower trusses from rhododendron as soon as possible after all the flowers in the truss have faded. This greatly helps the foliage and appearance of plant as well as its flowering in future seasons. And the larger leaved the variety, the more important this process seems to be.

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*All our plants are on own roots, grown from cutting or seeds unless otherwise noted.*

*We can not be held responsible for damage by frost or other injury beyond our control.*

*We do not have facilities for shipping stock any larger than the two foot size. There are larger plants of some items here for sale but arrangements will have to be made for delivery on this stock.*

